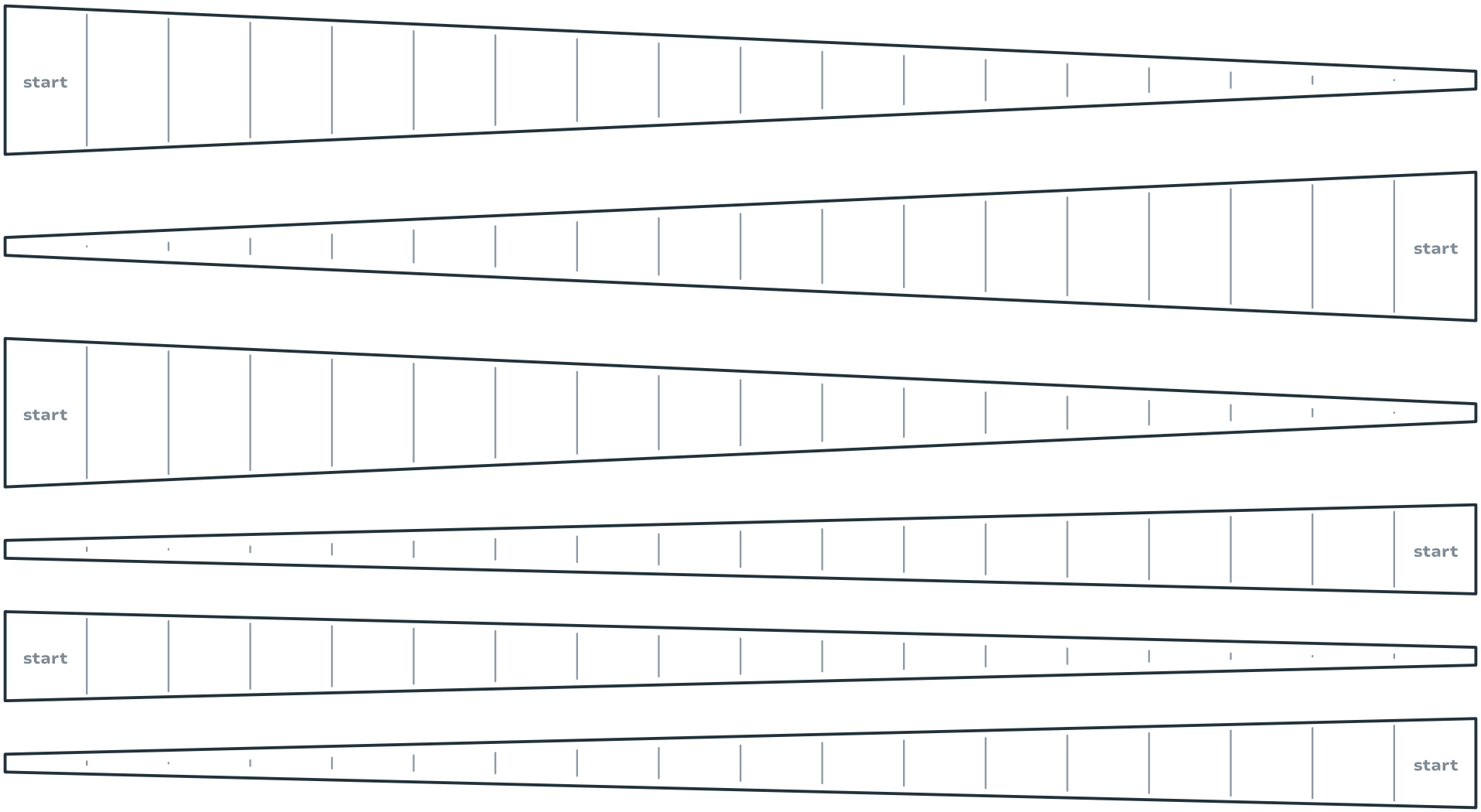
PROJECT 4 · RECYCLED PAPER BEADS

Paper bead strips

cut
fold



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Recycled paper beads

Ages 8-12 | 30-45 min | Mess: Medium (glue) | Copy paper, magazine pages or old calendars

You need

- Bead strips (or magazine pages)
- Wooden skewer, straw or thin marker
- Glue stick
- String or yarn

Skills practiced

- Rolling tightly
- Measuring and tracing

LESSON LINK

Reuse paper and compare bead shapes: the wide strips make fat beads, the narrow ones thin beads.
Grades: 3-6
Ties to: Earth Day and recycling. Math: measuring length and width.

Steps

1. Color the strips, or trace a strip onto a colorful magazine page.
2. Cut the strips out.
3. Start at the wide end marked 'start' and roll the strip tightly around a skewer or straw.
4. Put glue on the last two inches and finish rolling. Hold for a few seconds.
5. Slide the bead off and let it dry. String your beads.

Tip: Use the template as a tracer for magazine pages: the bead shows bits of color from the page.

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